

REMARKS/ARGUMENTS

The Examiner rejected Claims 6-9 and 15-18 under 35 U.S.C. § 112, second paragraph, and being indefinite for failing to particularly point out and distinctly claim the subject matter which Applicants regard as the invention.

Regarding Claims 6 and 15, the Examiner stated that the limitation "the set of security registration and user profile data requirements" lacks antecedent basis. Claims 6 and 15 have been amended to recite "a set of security registration and user profile data requirements", and Applicants respectfully submit that this amendment overcomes the rejection.

Regarding Claims 7 and 16, the Examiner stated that the limitation "the forwarding" has insufficient antecedent basis. Claims 7 and 16 have been amended to depend from Claims 2 and 11, respectively. Applicants respectfully submit that this amendment overcomes the rejection.

Claims 8-9 and 17-18 were rejected by the Examiner as being indefinite for being dependent on indefinite Claims. Applicants respectfully submit that above amendments to Claims 6-7 and 15-16 render Claims 8-9 and 17-18 allowable.

The Examiner rejected Claims 1-19 under 35 U.S.C. § 102(b) as being anticipated by US Patent Number 5,708,780 ("Levergood").

Levergood discloses a content server communicating with an authentication server (see e.g. Levergood, Col. 5, lines 42-52). In contrast, the present invention, as recited in independent Claims 1, 10 and 19, does not recite two communicating servers, but instead an application server and an application from the application server.

Furthermore, in the server arrangement disclosed by Levergood, when a user does not have a user account, the content server redirects the user's browser to the authentication server and the authentication server handles opening a new account for the user (see e.g. Levergood, Col. 7, lines 2-14). In contrast, in the present invention as recited in independent Claim 1, the application server bootstraps a user account in a user database based upon security data extracted from a filled out user information page, with the user information request page formed by an application. Levergood neither discloses nor suggests an application server bootstrapping a user

account in a user database based upon security data extracted from a filled out user information request page, with the user information request page formed by an application.


Therefore, for at least the above reasons, Applicants respectfully submit that independent Claim 1 is allowable over the cited reference. For similar reasons, independent Claims 10 and 19 are allowable over the cited reference.

Dependent Claims 2-9 and 11-18 depend from independent Claims 1 and 10, and are therefore allowable for at least the reasons recited above.

CONCLUSION

Applicants believe that all pending claims are allowable and respectfully requests a Notice of Allowance for this application from the Examiner. Should the Examiner believe that a telephone conference would expedite the prosecution of this application, the undersigned can be reached at the number listed below.

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